

**MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2001
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CHAMBERS
FIRST FLOOR, COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
1:30 P.M.**

Commissioners Present: Bob Workman, Vice Chair
Bernie Heier
Larry Hudkins
Linda Steinman

Commissioners Absent: Kathy Campbell, Chair

Others Present: Norm Agena, County Assessor
Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer
David Johnson, Deputy County Attorney
Bruce Medcalf, County Clerk
Gwen Thorpe, Deputy County Clerk

- 1) **MINUTES:** Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held on Tuesday, February 6, 2001. (A copy of these minutes is on file in the Office of the Lancaster County Clerk.)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting dated February 6, 2001. Hudkins, Heier, Workman and Steinman voted aye. Motion carried.

- 2) **ADDITIONS AND DEDUCTIONS:**

Approval of 80 additions and deductions to the tax assessment rolls per Exhibit A.

MOTION: Heier moved and Steinman seconded approval. Heier, Steinman, Hudkins and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

3) **SETTING OF A PUBLIC HEARING S FOR NOTICE OF VALUATION CHANGE:**

Setting of public hearings for Tuesday, February 27, 2001 at 2:30 p.m. in the County Commissioners Chambers, Room 112, on the first floor of the County-City Building for notice of valuation change for omitted or undervalued property for following:

League of Human Dignity Metro
Tonya Y and Bradley R Andrews
Terry A and Lori J Gustafson

MOTION: Steinman moved and Heier seconded to set public hearings for Tuesday, February 27, 2001 at 2:30 p.m. in the County Commissioners Chambers, Room 112, on the first floor of the County-City Building for notice of valuation change for omitted or undervalued property for League of Human Dignity Metro, Tonya Y and Bradley R Andrews and Terry A and Lori Gustafson. Steinman, Workman, Heier and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

4) **ADJOURNMENT**

By direction of the Vice Chair, the Board of Equalization meeting was adjourned.

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- 2) **CLAIMS:** Approval of all claims processed through Tuesday, February 13, 2001.

MOTION: Steinman moved and Hudkins seconded approval. Heier, Steinman, Hudkins and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

- 3) **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. The Annual Commissioners Award of Excellence was presented to Nancy Nelson, an employee with Lancaster Manor.
- B. Deputy Sheriff Emanuel Bartek was recognized for being chosen as the 2000 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year for the State of Nebraska by the American Legion of Nebraska.

4) **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. An Intergovernmental Memorandum of Agreement between the State of Nebraska, Department of Health and Human Services and Lancaster County for providing community based residential and non-residential evaluations for youth of the Southeast Service Area, beginning February 15, 2001 and ending January 31, 2002. The County will be paid \$21,521 per month, beginning the month the County begins accepting referrals for services. (C-01-21)**

Betty Meninger, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), gave a brief overview of the memorandum of agreement stating that they would be partnering with the County for residential and non-residential evaluations of children. She added that their goal is to keep youth out of detention when unnecessary and to shorten the length of stay for others. Meninger also stated there would be an HHS employee co-located with Families First and Foremost (F³) to continue statutory obligations.

Gus Hitz, Assessment Center Director for Families First and Foremost, stated the memorandum of agreement was the first step toward a collaborative approach in changing the current system.

MOTION: Steinman moved and Heier seconded approval. Hudkins, Steinman, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

5) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Purchase of software from Election Systems and Software, Inc. for the Lancaster County Election Commission Office, in the amount of \$4,751. (C-01-74)**

MOTION: Steinman moved and Heier seconded approval. Steinman, Workman, Hudkins and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- B. An agreement with Fillmore County for juvenile detention services at the Juvenile Detention Center at a rate of \$190.00 per day, or a fraction of \$190.00 depending on the number of hours per day that such detainee is in the custody of the Juvenile Detention Center. (C-01-75)**

MOTION: Steinman moved and Heier seconded approval. Heier, Workman, Hudkins and Steinman voted aye. Motion carried.

5) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

C. A resolution authorizing the installation and removal of the following traffic signs in Lancaster County, Nebraska: (R-01-11)

- ▶ Replace the 19-ton weight limit sign with a 16-ton weight limit sign on Bridge X-117 located on Panama Road east of South 82nd Street. (A recent bridge inspection indicated that the weight rating should be reduced.)
- ▶ Remove the weight limit signs from Bridge V-62 located on Southwest 86th Street south of West Panama Road. (The bridge has been repaired and no longer requires posting.)

MOTION: Steinman moved and Heier seconded approval of Resolution 01-11. Steinman, Workman, Heier and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

D. Authorization of Wells Fargo Bank, as Trustee, to disburse \$2,765.87 from the juvenile detention center bond proceeds to Sinclair Hille Architects for architectural services provided for the new Juvenile Detention Center and \$8,387.64 to Walton Construction, Inc. for grading, sewer, water main and paving for the Juvenile Detention Center. (M-01-13)

Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer, stated the item for Walton Construction was the change order listed as the addendum on the agenda. He indicated that there was an approximate \$200 difference between New Business Items 5D and 5F and suggested the disbursement for Walton Construction be delayed until the end of the Consent Items.

MOTION: Steinman moved and Heier seconded approval of the authorization of Wells Fargo bank, as Trustee, to disburse \$2,765.87 from the juvenile detention center bond proceeds to Sinclair Hille Architects for architectural services for the new Juvenile Detention Center. Heier, Workman, Steinman and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

(The authorization to disburse \$8,387.64 to Walton Construction, Inc. was held until the end of the Consent Items.)

5) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

E. A political subdivision tort claim filed against the Lancaster County Corrections Department by Mary Witter, in the amount of \$70.25, for lost property.

MOTION: Steinman moved and Heier seconded to accept the Director's recommendation and deny the tort claim filed by Mary Witter. Steinman, Hudkins, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

F. Change order requests from Olsson and Associates for the Juvenile Detention Center project for changes regarding public water, paving and sanitation, in the amount of \$8,115. (C-00-505-CO-01)

This item was held until the end of the Consent Items.

- 6) **CONSENT ITEMS:** These are items of business that are routine and which are expected to be adopted without dissent. Any individual item may be removed for special discussion and consideration by a Commissioner or by any member of the public without prior notice. Unless there is an exception, these items will be approved as one with a single vote of the Board of Commissioners. These items are approval of:

A. Receive and Place on File:

1. County Clerk's Monthly Report for January, 2001.
2. Records and Information Management for January, 2001.
3. Register of Deeds' Monthly Report for January, 2001.
4. Audit of Lancaster County and Lancaster County Leasing Corporation for the year ended June 30, 2000.

B. Right-of-way contracts relating to road improvements between the Lancaster County Engineer and the following:

- ▶ John S. Mapes, Jr., in the total amount of \$4,940.25, on South 68th Street from Hickman Road to Saltillo Road; Project STPE-3265(6). (3 contracts) (C-01-63 through C-01-65)
- ▶ David L. and Eileen E. Brhel, in the amount of \$52.50, on West Denton Road; Project C55-N-404(1). (C-01-66)

6) **CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED:**

- ▶ Norris Public Power District, in the total amount of \$359.75, on West Denton Road; Project C55-N-404(1). (2 contracts) (C-01-69 and C-01-70)
- ▶ Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing Corporation, in the amount of \$55, at Northwest 27th Street and Highway 34; Project 01-23. (C-01-71)
- ▶ Randall Carlson and Rebecca Goad Richardson Carlson, in the total amount of \$514.95 at North 1st Street and West Rock Creek Road; Project C55-C-406(1) (2 contracts) (C-01-72 and C-01-73)

C. Two leasehold contracts relating to road improvements between the Lancaster County Engineer and Leroy Geistlinger, in the total amount of \$20, on South 54th Street between Roca Road and Saltillo Road; Project C55-S-405(1). (C-01-67 and C-01-68)

MOTION: Steinman moved and Heier seconded approval of the Consent Items. Hudkins, Workman, Heier and Steinman voted aye. Motion carried.

RETURNING TO NEW BUSINESS ITEMS 5D AND 5F:

Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer, explained that approximately \$272 was still owed under the original contract sum. The change order (New Business Item 5F) would be in the amount of \$8,115 and the authorization from the Trustee (New Business Item 5D) would be for the amount of \$8,387.64. He noted that Don Killeen, Building Administrator, and Olssen and Associates had reviewed the matter and concurred with the dollar amounts.

MOTION: Steinman moved and Hudkins seconded approval of \$8,387.64, to Walton Construction, Inc. for grading, sewer, water main and paving for the Juvenile Detention Center (New Business Item 5D) and approval of the change order requests, in the amount of \$8,115, to Walton Construction, Inc. (New Business Item 5F) for the Juvenile Detention Center project.

7) **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Steinman moved and Heier seconded adjournment of the Board of Commissioners meeting. Heier, Steinman, Workman and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

Bruce Medcalf
County Clerk